



## Information for Parents

Parents can access information about the curriculum and learning resources in a number of ways:

- your child's teacher or school
- Curriculum Summaries
- Curriculum Handbooks
- Programs of Study on the Alberta Education Web site.

## How Can I Help My Child At Home?

Show interest in school activities by:

- asking questions
- helping with homework and projects
- setting aside time and a place for your child to complete homework
- reading to and with your child.

Use Alberta Education and other resources produced for parents, such as

- **The Parent Advantage**—*Tips and strategies for helping with homework in grades 1 through 9.*
- **LearnAlberta.ca Web site**—*Online multimedia learning resources that directly relate to the Alberta programs of study.* <http://learnalberta.ca>
- **TELUS 2Learn Web site**—*An education-business partnership that provides Internet inservice, support and mentorship for Alberta teachers.* <http://www.2learn.ca>

## Schooling in Alberta

**Curriculum** describes what students are expected to learn. Alberta Education develops the curriculum in consultation with teachers, administrators, parents, representatives from post-secondary institutions, and professional and community groups.

Teachers use the curriculum to plan learning activities that meet their students' needs and abilities. They regularly assess student progress, reporting to parents, students and administrators.

## Provincial Achievement Tests

As well as being assessed by their teachers, students write provincial achievement tests in grades 3, 6 and 9. Grade 6 students write tests in English language arts, mathematics, science and social studies. Parents can obtain information on the tests and their child's test results from their child's school.

## Religious Education

Religious Education is an essential and integral part of the life and culture of Catholic schools. Schools support the home and family in the faith development of children. For more information, contact the local school board.

## Languages

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| ➤ Blackfoot          | ➤ Italian   |
| ➤ Chinese (Mandarin) | ➤ Japanese  |
| ➤ Cree               | ➤ Punjabi   |
| ➤ French             | ➤ Spanish   |
| ➤ German             | ➤ Ukrainian |

These languages as well as others may be available at your child's school. For more information, contact the local school board.

## Where Can I Get More Information?

- The Alberta Education Web site  
<http://education.alberta.ca/>
- Arts, Communications and Citizenship  
Telephone: 780-427-2984  
Fax: 780-422-3745  
E-mail: [curric.contact@education.gov.ab.ca](mailto:curric.contact@education.gov.ab.ca)
- Digital Design and Resource Authorization  
Telephone: 780-427-2984  
Fax: 780-422-3745  
E-mail: [curric.contact@education.gov.ab.ca](mailto:curric.contact@education.gov.ab.ca)
- Distributed Learning  
Telephone: 780-674-5350  
Fax: 780-674-6561  
E-mail: [DLB.General@gov.ab.ca](mailto:DLB.General@gov.ab.ca)
- First Nations, Métis and Inuit Services  
Telephone: 780-415-9300  
Fax: 780-415-9306  
E-mail: [FNMISServices@gov.ab.ca](mailto:FNMISServices@gov.ab.ca)
- French Language Education Services  
Telephone: 780-427-2940  
Fax: 780-422-1947  
E-mail: [LSB@edc.gov.ab.ca](mailto:LSB@edc.gov.ab.ca)
- Learner Assessment  
Telephone: 780-427-0010  
Fax: 780-422-4200  
E-mail: [LAcontact@edc.gov.ab.ca](mailto:LAcontact@edc.gov.ab.ca)
- Mathematics and Science  
Telephone: 780-427-2984  
Fax: 780-422-3745  
E-mail: [curric.contact@education.gov.ab.ca](mailto:curric.contact@education.gov.ab.ca)
- Special Education Branch  
Telephone: 780-422-6326  
Fax: 780-422-2039  
E-mail: [Special.Education@gov.ab.ca](mailto:Special.Education@gov.ab.ca)

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